

Morgan County Democrat.

CENTRAL MISSOURI FARMING, MINING, REAL ESTATE, RAILROAD AND GENERAL NEWS.

FOURTH YEAR.

Versailles, Mo., Friday Morning, Nov. 13, 1903.

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Now is the Time.

For two weeks only, beginning Monday, November 16th, we will offer

Pianos and Organs,

Direct from the factory at almost factory prices. Here is an opportunity to buy a high grade reliable Piano, from a home dealer who is interested in your behalf, at prices you cannot meet anywhere, quality of goods considered.

Prices reduced to an extent that we will save you from \$50 to \$100 on a Piano. Terms to suit. A small payment down and from \$6.00 up.

A Splendid Christmas Present, could you do better?

Old instruments taken at their proper value. Come in and see the Pianos. Sale will close Nov. 28th.

J. W. KIRK, FURNITURE AND CARPETS.

C. F. STIARWALT, Factory Representative.

LOCAL NEWS.

Call for Hardy's Prize Baking Powder.

Men's Rubber Boots and Shoes at the "FAMOUS."

Hardy's Prize Baking Powder is the kind to use in your baking.

A social hop was enjoyed at the opera house Tuesday night by a club of young folks.

If you want a good A. No. 1 Overcoat for winter you can find one to fit you at the "FAMOUS."

Uncle Jerry Shores residing near Excelsior, is confined to his home with a severe attack of rheumatism.

Come, look at our fine line of Fall and Winter Goods. Carl W. Biersach.

Remember, farmers, that there is \$50 prize for the best corn exhibit at the Versailles Corn Show on December 1st.

The "FAMOUS" don't sell all the clothing sold in Versailles, but does sell all of the good clothing and shoes for men that are sold in Versailles.

Gov. Bolte was here over Sunday last in the interest of the new road and stated that nothing short of an earthquake would deter the Rock Island people in pushing the work of construction.

We are not just beginning the free delivery of meats to our customers but have been delivering free of charge ever since we began business and will continue to do so. Leave your orders for Meat, Groceries and Ice with D. C. Hardy.

Rev. Simms of Versailles filled the pulpit of the Baptist Church Sunday in the absence of Rev. White, who is holding a meeting at Versailles. He expects to commence a revival meeting here in two or three weeks. — Monitor Co. Herald.

Judge Lokenbill, well known to many of our readers, is reported quite sick at his home northeast of Excelsior, having been confined to his bed with stomach trouble. The Judge's friends will be pleased to learn that his condition is improving.

A deal was consummated last week by which Henry Jacobs secured the corner south of the Christian Church on Monroe street from Hanbay and Ellis, containing two lots. The location is very desirable and Mr. Jacobs is lucky in securing it.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Crewson, and their daughter, Mrs. J. A. Petty, returned home last Saturday from a week's visit in Kansas. Mr. Crewson made the trip purposely to visit his parents who reside at Wichita, whom he had not seen for some time, and the reunion was indeed enjoyable to all.

M. Joachimi, who edited the front page of the DEMOCRAT last week with a page of illustrated clothing talk to his Morgan county customers, has been in the city markets this week securing Christmas novelties and general supplies, and has a surprise in store for our people in the way of unprecedented bargains. Look out for Joachimi.

Go to Hardy's grocery and ask for his Prize Baking Powder.

For a good fit and proper style in clothing, hats, shoes, pants, &c., for men, go to the "FAMOUS."

Leave your orders for Meat and Ice with us. All orders executed promptly and goods delivered free as usual. D. C. HARDY.

J. H. Buck was here last Sunday from the east end, having been to Henley where his teams are engaged in excavating at a reservoir.

They seem to be getting uncommonly virtuous in Vernon county. Charles Brubaker, a banker, of Bronaugh, was arrested last week and fined \$50 for cutting hay on Sunday.

While in this city last Saturday G. F. Thomas of Florence, stated that the new school building at that place was about completed, and that school was already in session in the building.

WALTER Leslie Farms, from 80 acres up. I am receiving plenty of inquiries from Iowa, Illinois and Ohio people, about Morgan County. They will begin coming in soon. H. A. YOUNG, in office of Probate Judge.

At John Trower's place near Middletown recently, a rat killing was held at which three dogs disposed of 166 rats in ten minutes. Middletown Chips says Frank Wagner acted as "helper," and assisted by catching the animals in his hands.

James Thomas, who has resided upon a farm near Florence, was in Versailles last Saturday and made the DEMOCRAT a pleasant call. Mr. Thomas, with his family, moved to near Sedalia Monday, and will be a resident of Pettis county in the future.

According to tests at the Missouri station as to the relative value of different kinds of food for hogs, the cost of producing 100 pounds of pork was as follows: Corn and skim milk, \$2.84; corn and alfalfa, \$2.96; corn and clover \$3.26; corn and rape, \$3.49; corn and blue grass, \$3.92.

Suits, Underwear, Overcoats, Boots and Shoes, Skirts, Dress Goods, Blankets, Comforters, Trunks, Valises, Groceries &c. Best Values for the least money at "The Red Flag." Carl W. Biersach.

County Treasurer G. M. Hargett has his new house on McNair Heights enclosed and Contractor Hulett is pushing it to completion with a good crew of workmen. The new structure looms up to advantage in its elevated position. It will be a handsome home when completed and Mr. Hargett is to be congratulated upon good judgment in securing the desirable design.

J. W. Letchworth last Monday purchased the piece of corner residence property owned by Mrs. O. A. Williams on the west side of North Campbell street, containing two full lots with a three-room house. Consideration \$1200. It is the intention of Mr. Letchworth to erect a fine residence on this property at an early date, and we are glad to see such men as him taking hold of our property interests. The corner is one of the best in that section of the city.

Rev. R. T. Hunter of Marshall, presiding elder, will preach at the Methodist Church Sunday, morning and evening. All are invited.

Elder E. B. Woods departed Wednesday evening for Kansas City, where he is having his eyes treated by a specialist. We hope to see him return much benefited.

E. A. Crewson and F. D. Harrison drove out on the grade where the track-layers were at work east of town and rode to Eldon on the construction train Monday.

J. E. Stokes, editor of the Kansas City Leader, will lecture Saturday evening at the Baptist Church at 7:30, and at the Methodist Church at 2:30 p. m. Sunday, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. of this city.

Messrs. Stubbs, Flick, Townsend and others interested in the construction work on the new road are here this week and personally looking after matters and guarding against any and all obstacles likely to delay their part of the work.

Elder Joseph Gaylor of Springfield, Missouri, will preach at the Christian Church Sunday morning and evening. He is an evangelist of that church and will begin a protracted effort in Versailles, assisting Bro. Woods in a meeting which will continue from Sunday. All are invited to attend.

The Elmo Register tells of a Missouri country editor who refused to publish, free of charge, obituary notices of people who, while living, were not subscribers to his paper, giving this reason: "People who do not take their home paper are dead anyway, and their mere passing away is of no value as news."

A Grundy county editor got his foot in it badly, and had to do a neat piece of explaining in his last issue. In speaking recently of a coming meeting he suggested that a certain well-known man be made chairman on account of his familiarity with "parliamentary methods," and the printer made it "parliamentary methods."

Rev. L. J. Baughman returned Tuesday from Mt. Pleasant, Benton county, where he had been holding a protracted meeting for the fifteen days previous. He reports fair success. He united in marriage, Wednesday evening of last week, James J. Adkisson and Sarah E. Winegardner, at the church, in the presence of a large congregation, the church being profusely decorated with natural flowers.

Rev. C. N. White, who conducted the protracted meeting at the Baptist Church in this city, with very fair success, last Sunday afternoon administered the rites of baptism upon nine converts. The baptizing took place at Heineman's pond northwest of town, and quite a large crowd of people witnessed the ceremonies. Rev. White closed the meeting Sunday night and Monday morning departed for Smithton.

The Lutheran ladies of this city met yesterday at the home of Mrs. John Wassung on North Fisher street and organized an aid society, after which they were treated to a splendid lunch at the hands of Mrs. Wassung. This congregation have made arrangements to hold regular preaching in this city and have fixed the date on the first Sunday of each month. The services will be held in the Presbyterian church, beginning with the first Sunday in December, at 2 p. m., in German.

The interest being taken in the MORGAN COUNTY MAGAZINE, becomes more noticeable daily. Subscriptions are rolling in. The initial number, December, will contain half-tones of two of the most prominent men in Morgan county—two of the best friends the people of Morgan county have or ever had. Also a plate of a scene in which not only every citizen of this county is interested but which is of interest to the world. Get in line and bring in your subscription.

Folk at Sedalia Saturday.

Joseph W. Folk, candidate for Governor, will speak in Sedalia tomorrow (Saturday) at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and 7:30 at night, under the auspices of the Pettis County Folk Club.

FOR SALE—Two good residence properties, cheap. H. A. YOUNG.

UP-TO-DATE DENTISTRY.



NEW AUTOMATIC DENTAL CHAIR JUST ADDED.

E. P. YARNELL, DENTIST,
Second Floor, in Woods Block, Versailles, Mo.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Versailles Citizens Favor Municipal Ownership by a vote of 234 to 11.

The special election held Tuesday to determine whether or not the people of Versailles were in favor of issuing bonds for the purpose of establishing an electric light plant to be maintained on the plan of municipal ownership, showed conclusively that the proposition is favored by a large majority, the result of the vote is as follows:

East Ward cast 132 votes, 122 for and 10 against the proposition. West Ward cast 115 votes, 112 for and 3 against. The total vote cast was 234, with only 11 votes against the proposition in the two wards.

The result of the vote leaves no doubt in the mind of any reasonable person that the people of this city want a system of first-class electric lights and are almost unanimously in favor of the city's owning the plant. Now the city council have the matter in their hands to go ahead without any obstacle in their way, and Versailles will be lighted by electricity.

First-Class Furniture House.

We wish to call the attention of our readers to the fact that Versailles has a first-class furniture house, where anything in the house furnishing line can be purchased at moderate prices, and fair treatment will be accorded to customers, no difference from what section of the county such patrons may come.

J. W. Kirk is proprietor of this Furniture House, and he carries a stock sufficiently heavy to justify the demands of Morgan county. Should more expensive goods be wanted than he carries in stock, Mr. Kirk's facilities are such that he can promptly order whatever the customer may desire in the furniture or carpet line.

As the holiday season is approaching he expects to have on display and for sale a full line of Christmas presents, such as rockers, pictures, unique rugs, and in fact an immense stock from which to select some useful present to decorate the home. Mr. Kirk is one of our most reliable merchants, and worthy of your patronage and by dealing with him the people not only patronize a home establishment, but they will get value received for every dollar they spend in his furniture house.

The Debt Lifted.

A novel plan of raising a church debt was employed on Sunday morning at the M. E. Church, says the Clinton Democrat. A large thermometer was painted on oil cloth, and mounted on a frame, which stood about ten feet high, with large figures on one side beginning with 100 and running to 1,500, the amount to be raised. When subscriptions were raised the mercury in the thermometer was raised with brush and paint as the subscriptions reached the hundred marks, until at the end of fifteen minutes he had the mercury up to the 1,500 mark. At the end of twenty minutes the subscriptions closed with \$1,780 pledged, or \$280 more than was asked for. This will free the church debt and leave a fund to finish the interior in fresco or some other finish.

Explosion at Camp No. 7.

About 10 o'clock last Sunday morning a terrible explosion occurred at John Troy's Camp No. 7 near Haw Creek, twelve miles west of Versailles, the details of which cause the average citizen to wonder that no direct fatalities followed.

George Troy, a brother of Contractor Troy, accompanied by Edward Robinson and Lee Enlow, had just put in a shot and returned to the camp with a box of powder and dynamite. While they were conversing within a few yards of the box a terrific explosion took place which tore up things generally about the camp, and all three of the men received injuries, that of Edward Robinson being the most serious.

It is supposed by the workmen that a live slow fuse came in contact with the powder and dynamite, causing the explosion. A piece of the metal from a dynamite cap struck Edward Robinson in the left breast and the force drove the missile into the lung, rupturing a blood vessel, the injury having the appearance of a gunshot wound, the blood flowing freely.

George Troy and Lee Enlow were both bruised and mangled about the face and head, but neither sustained serious injuries. Drs. Williams and Kelly were at once summoned from this city and hurried to the scene to find everything in confusion. The victims were all given attention, and Monday morning Ed. Robinson was brought to town and sent to the Wyandotte hospital in Kansas City for treatment.

It is miraculous that any of the victims escaped with their lives. A house standing 500 yards from where the explosion took place had every window light in the building demolished, while the shock was felt a mile away.

The Corn Show.

Quite an interest is being manifested by our farmers in the Corn Show which is to take place in Versailles on December 1st, and preparations are being made to have the display complete in every detail.

The World's Fair Commission has offered good prizes so that our farmers will have equal chances in securing pay in prizes for their trouble in making the Corn Show a success, and they cannot afford to neglect this matter.

It is of far more importance than some seem to realize. Other counties in the state are making a great effort to make a creditable showing at the World's Fair. In order to insure that Missouri will again be awarded the prize as the greatest corn producing state of the union it is the duty of every county to do its part. The institute will be of interest as the best method of breeding seed corn will be discussed by experts.

Chrysanthemum Show.

The ladies of the M. E. Church, South, will hold their annual Chrysanthemum show at Krauss' opera house on Thursday, November the 19th; doors will be opened at three o'clock p. m., refreshments will be served at any time after said hour, a fine floral display promised. All are cordially invited. By order of the ladies.